

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE January 25, 1985

FULL NAME Wilbur J. Jamerson, Jr.
(No initials if you can possibly give full name)
ADDRESS [REDACTED]
CITY Farmville STATE Virginia ZIP CODE 23901
DATE OF BIRTH June 6, 1961 (This is important and should be exact)
APPROXIMATE AGE 23 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)
RELIGION Unknown NATIONALITY U. S. Citizen
OCCUPATION Unemployed
EDUCATION High School
WEIGHT 200 lbs HEIGHT 5' 10" RACE Caucasion
COLOR OF HAIR Black COLOR OF EYES Dark
OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Stamp Collecting
MARRIED OR SINGLE Married CHILDREN None
WIFE'S NAME [REDACTED]

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
Troop 6535	Dillwyn	VA	MC	3-84	1/85-suspended
—	Richmond	VA	UC	6-84	To be determined

SPECIAL RECOGNITION Eagle, 12/21/78; Bronze Palm 2/15/79; Gold Palm 5/31/7

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS: Sexual assaults described in the attached (previously mailed to Dave Parks).

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND ATTACH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

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A. STARON

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Signed Harold V. Jeter, Jr.
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

FEB 11 1985

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Council _____

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October 2, 1985

Mr. James J. Terry
Scout Executive
Robert E Lee Council, No. 602

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Wilbur J. Jamerson

Dear Jim:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man permanently on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

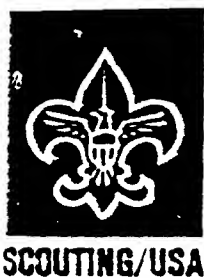
Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

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Robert E. Lee Council, Inc. No. 802
Boy Scouts of America

900 Westover Road, Richmond, Virginia 23220-6697
Telephone: 804-355-4306

April 1, 1985

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription and Statistical Service
National Office, BSA
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

Dear Paul,

On Sunday, March 31, 1985, I and Richard G. Mooneyham, Chairman of our Weyanoke District met with Mr. W. J. Jamerson, Jr. of Farmville, Virginia at 3:30 p.m. at the Farmville United Methodist Church.

WILBUR J JAMERSON JR.

After a cordial greeting, in which Mr. Jamerson expressed remorse for the circumstances requiring the meeting, Dick Mooneyham read to Mr. Jamerson the attached letter. At the conclusion his reading Mr. Mooneyham gave the original of the letter to Mr. Jamerson. At this point I verbally reiterated the key points that (1) Scouting can deny adult registration to any leader it feels does not meet our standards, (2) we wished to keep this information confidential, (3) if he wished to appeal he should contact, in writing, the council president.

At this point Mr. Jamerson, with a quiet display of emotion, stated that he hoped someday to be able to return to Scouting as a volunteer leader. He stated that he did not wish to bring any embarrassment to Scouting. He also expressed his appreciation for what Scouting had done for him as he grew up. He looked forward to being rehabilitated and took full responsibility for his actions.

I next thanked Mr. Jamerson for his positive attitude and asked if he was receiving any professional help. Jamerson then stated that he was engaged in regular group therapy at the Henrico Mental Health Center along with eight other men who had been convicted of sex abuse charges.

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PRINCE EDWARD, PRINCE GEORGE, RICHMOND, WESTMORELAND
MEMBER AGENCY OF - UNITED FUND OF HOPEWELL, UNITED WAY OF SOUTHSIDE VIRGINIA, UNITED WAY
OF RICHMOND, COMMUNITY CHEST OF PRINCE EDWARD



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To conclude the meeting Mr. Mooneyham expressed to Mr. Jamerson best wishes for the future and we exited the church at approximately 3:40 p.m.

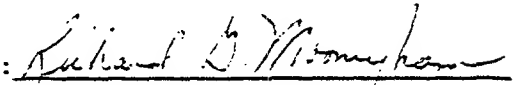
Thank you for your help and guidance beginning last December.

Yours truly,



Harold V. Tate, Jr.
Director of Field Service

Attest:



Richard G. Mooneyham
Chairman
Weyanoke District
Robert E. Lee Council

cc: Mr. John C. Hirschi

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February 25, 1985

Mr. W. J. Jamerson, Jr.

[REDACTED]
Farmville, Virginia 23901

Dear Mr. Jamerson:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA leadership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of leadership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth. Please also understand that this decision and the reasons for it will be maintained as confidential.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be granted or reinstated.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Dillon
James L. Dillon
President

JLD/lw

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Not on Mar/April ⁸⁵ file
Not on Oct 84 file:

February 22, 1985

Mr. Harold V. Tate, Jr.
Director of Field Service
Robert E. Lee Council, No. 602

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Harold:

I want to thank you for all the material which you have sent concerning Wilbur J. Jamerson, Jr.. This material will be most helpful to us as we set up a file and refuse future registration attempts.

Please continue to keep us informed concerning the outcome of this situation. The final disposition of the case and any sentencing will be most helpful in strengthening our files.

Thanks again for all the material you have sent us, please let us know if we can be of any help to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

READY TO FILE
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ERIN O'RILEY

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February 7, 1985

Mr. Paul Ernest, Director
Registration and Subscription
National Council, BSA
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75038-3096

Subject: W. J. Jamerson, Jr.

Dear Paul,

Enclosed please find a confidential record sheet for Mr.
Wilber J. Jamerson, Jr.

It is the decision of our council leadership standards
committee to seek immediate revocation of Jamerson's regis-
tration status as per our conversation in December of last
year.

We intend to proceed according to BSA Procedures for
Maintaining Standards of Leadership (February 1980).

Yours truly,

Harold V. Tate, Jr.
Director of Field Service

cc: John C. Hirschi
Dave Parks

Enclosures

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January 25, 1985

Mr. W. J. Jamerson, Jr.

[REDACTED]
Farmville, Virginia 23921

Dear W. J.,

I was saddened to learn of your recent difficulties and I'm truly sorry to be writing this letter. But I am sure you can appreciate the difficult position in which your situation places the Scout Troop. Given that the troop is totally dependent on voluntary community support, even the appearance of impropriety can be devastating.

For that reason I must suspend your registration as an adult leader with Troop 6535. I am taking this action because I believe it to be in the best interest of the troop.

I sincerely hope better times are in your future.

Yours truly,



Gordon G. Ragland
Scouting Coordinator

cc: Spencer Adams, Scoutmaster
Robert King, Scouting Executive
Durwood Guthrie, President
Dillwyn Elementary PTA

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Robert E. Lee Council, Inc. No. 602
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900 Westover Road, Richmond, Virginia 23220-6697
Telephone: [REDACTED]

January 24, 1985

Mr. David Park, Legal Counsel
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75038-5036

Dear David,

Enclosed is a report prepared by Harold Tate, our Director of Field [REDACTED], covering the background on the case involving former Scout [REDACTED] and Mr. W. J. Jamerson, Jr. Also enclosed is a proposed settlement which we received from Mr. Herbert E. Mamey who is the attorney for [REDACTED]

We are still in the process of severing Mr. Jamerson from the troop committee and our commissioner service. This process was delayed until this week, because we were unable to determine his current address. He moved to Farmville, Virginia during the summer of 1984 and hasn't been active in Scouting since that time. The local troop committee advised against reaching him through his parents for fear of aggravating this situation.

We appreciate all your advise and assistance and anxiously wait for your father direction.

Cordially,


John C. Hirschi
Scout Executive

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Background Report Concerning
W. J. Jamerson, Jr. and Charles Patton

Privileged and Confidential, Prepared at the Direction of Counsel

Prepared by: Harold V. Tata, Jr., Director of Field Service
Robert E. Lee Council, Boy Scouts of America
[REDACTED]
Richmond, Virginia 23220-6697

Circumstances

W. J. Jamerson, Jr., currently a troop committee member, has been charged with child abuse and/or sexual battery in Price Edward and Buckingham counties in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The charges in Buckingham County were brought by the parents of former Scout [REDACTED].

Geographical/Social Setting

Buckingham County is a geographically large rural county in the central part of Virginia approximately sixty miles west of the Council headquarters city of Richmond. The county has a dominate middle class population with employment a mix of mining, lumber, agriculture, retail, and commuters to adjoining localities.

Scouting enjoys a long standing, very positive image in the community. Youth in the county are afforded a quality Scouting program, and Buckingham has been a consistent and broad based financial supporter of the council including one major giver (\$1000 annually) who has a child in the program.

Principals

- 1 - [REDACTED] is being represented by Herbert E. Maxey, Jr.
Post Office Box 257
Dillwyn, Virginia 23936 Buckingham, Virginia 23921 -
[REDACTED]
- 2 - W. J. Jamerson, Jr. is being represented by J. Robert Snoddy, III
Dillwyn, Virginia 23936
Farmville, Virginia 23901 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
- 3 - E. M. Wright ----- prosecutor for the Commonwealth of Virginia
Commonwealth Attorney in Buckingham County
Buckingham, Virginia 23921
[REDACTED]

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Information Sources

- 1 - Charter field sheets for Troop 6535, Dillwyn Elementary School, PTA, Dillwyn, Virginia - used primarily to determine registration overlap of Jamerson and [REDACTED]
- 2 - Troop 6535 advancement reports filed with the Council - used primarily to verify degree of activity the [REDACTED] child had in Scouting.
- 3 - Telephone conversation and personal interview with troop scoutmaster H. Spencer Adams (also principal of Buchingham Primary School) on December 5 and December 20, 1984 respectively.
- 4 - Telephone conversations with Commonwealth Attorney E. M. Wright between December 6 and 18, 1984 in which Mr. Wright in off-the-record comments verified that Jamerson had been charged in a youth offense, that he pleaded "no contest", and that the case had been taken under advisement while both parties underwent psychological care.
- 5 The balance of the information in this report was gained from H. Spencer Adams. While much of this is hearsay in nature, but I feel it is credible. Spencer Adams is a school principal and a highly recognized community leader not only in Scouting but also in his church and in numerous civic endeavors. I feel it is important to note that he enjoys a close working relationship through his professional and civic responsibilities with the Commonwealth Attorney E. M. Wright and the attorney for W. J. Jamerson. Both of these men are strong supporters of Scouting, Wright being a member of the district committee and Snoddy, a leader in the SME efforts in the community. Herbert Maxey, attorney for [REDACTED], is Mr. Adams' [REDACTED] being married to Spencer's [REDACTED].

The point of this piece of background is that Adams had conversations with all three attorneys at varying points during the fall of 1984 concerning the Jamerson/[REDACTED] case, and I therefore consider Adams a quite reliable source.

Investigative Problems

Charges brought against W. J. Jamerson, Jr. are being handled by the juvenile and domestic relations court. He has pleaded "no contest" to at least two charges involving three youth in two counties. He asked the court to take his plea under advisement while he sought psychological help. The court agreed. -

Virginia law dictates that cases before the juvenile court be treated confidentially to protect the youth involved. Therefore, it has been impossible to verify any of the apparent charges or to gather any specific facts concerning the charges against W. J. Jamerson.

I am advised (by the Commonwealth Attorney) that delays in verifying these charges could be quite lengthy and will likely require a minimum of twelve months.

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W. J. Jamerson, Jr.

Current Age: 23

Birthdate: 6/61

Current Scouting Registration: Primary - Troop committee member, T6535; 3/84-2/85.
Multiple - Unit commissioner, Weyanoke District,
Robert E. Lee Council; 6/84-5/85

Scouting Background: o August 2, 1983 - February 28, 1984 troop committee member
Troop 6535 o March 1, 1980 - February 28, 1983 Assistant Scoutmaster
o As a youth member prior to June of 1979 he earned the Eagle Award on 12/21/78. Bronze Palm on 2/15/79 and Gold Palm 5/31/79.

After graduation from high school in June 1979, he remained in the community working a various jobs. He has been married for approximately eighteen months. During the summer of 1984 he and his wife moved to Farmville, Virginia (Prince Edward County). At this time Jamerson was employed by the state of Virginia at the Powhatan Correctional Institution where he was a guard.

Current Age: 15

Birthdate: [REDACTED]

Scouting Involvement: o Registered member of Troop 6535 from 6-1-81 to 2-28-84
o Earned Scout badge 7-13-81
o Attended summer camp in July of 1981; left early because of homesickness; earned indian lore merit badge
o Attended Council Camporee 10/81
o Earned tenderfoot badge 12/7/84
o Troop records do not show boy attendance, but dues payment records reflect a sporadic participation through October 1983.
o In July of 1982 the Scoutmaster accepted a second application to be a scout though he was registered at the time (it seems a clear reinforcement of sporadic participation by the [REDACTED] child).
o Troop financial records also reflect participation in troop fund raising efforts in the fall of 1982 and the fall of 1983.

Significant Points made by Adams

- o Jamerson's abusive relationship with [REDACTED] began when [REDACTED] was 3 years old or about 1977 - four years before [REDACTED] joined troop 6535 in June of 1981.
- o [REDACTED] and W. J. Jamerson, Jr. are first cousins by marriage. [REDACTED] aunt is married to Jamerson, Jr.'s [REDACTED].
- o The two parties lived approximately three miles from each other.
- o When Jamerson, Jr. moved from Buckingham to Farmville, Virginia during the summer of 1984, the [REDACTED] family assisted him with the physical move.

Chronology of Events

1. In August of 1984, W. J. Jamerson, Jr. was charged in Prince Edward County with child abuse and sodomy in reference to the two small children (4-6 years old) of a co-worker at Powhatan Correctional Institution.

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Chronology of Events (continued)

2. In September, 1984, Jamerson approached Spencer Adams and asked him to serve as a character witness on his behalf in the court matter.
3. September - November
 - o Adams heard nothing further from Jamerson, but learned that the felony charge had been apparently reduced to a misdemeanor. After this court action came to light in the community, it was then that [REDACTED] apparently told his parents of his relationship with W. J. Jamerson, Jr. which resulted in Jamerson being charged in Buckingham County with sexual battery against the Patton child.
 - o The county social service department initiated an investigation of the case.
 - o [REDACTED] began counseling/therapy at Cross Roads Mental Health Services.
4. December 5, 1984, Spencer Adams telephoned me with the information that Jamerson had been charged and that he had been questioned by Herbert Maxey about B.S.A. liability insurance.

Additional Background

Spencer Adams, the Scoutmaster, feels the opportunity for any abuse from Jamerson would be limited to occasions of transporting Patton to or from troop meetings. The two never attended camp or camping trips together.

Jamerson performed primarily administrative duties for the troop during his adult re-registration period. These efforts were sporadic. He did help with one troop activity - community service project - but [REDACTED] did not participate. At no time during Jamerson's Scouting tenure did Mr. Adams observe any suspicious behavior on the part of Jamerson.

Adams describes the [REDACTED] child as quite immature. He had problems of adjusting to the public school setting, and his parents removed him and placed him in a small church - basement private school in an adjoining county.

Mr. Adams further expressed the view that the [REDACTED] originally proclaimed no ill will toward Jamerson or the B.S.A., but that after counseling sessions began, their position hardened.

Just prior to my interview with Adams, Herbert Maxey called the council office to seek assistance in identifying whom he should contact regarding a damage claim for former Scout [REDACTED]. Maxey stated that he did not believe that the Scouts were liable in this case. Rather he said he was seeking, for his client an amount of money to cover the 20% of counseling charges the family medical insurance (Blue Cross) would not cover. After discussing this phone call with our Council Attorney Francis Lowden and Dave Parks, National BSA Attorney, I called Mr. Maxey and suggested he put into writing [REDACTED] claim and send this to us for review. (Mr. Maxey asked, at the end of the conversation, if I would please, on his behalf, encourage Spencer Adams and his troop committee to not take the [REDACTED] action personally!)

HERBERT E. MAXEY, JR. P.C.

A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION

P. O. BOX 257

BUCKINGHAM VIRGINIA 23021

804-866-4873

HERBERT E. MAXEY, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW

January 17, 1985

F. ACIE ALLEN, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW

Mr. Harold Tate, Field Director
Robert E. Lee Council
Boy Scouts of America
900 Westover Road
Richmond, VA 23220-6697

RE: Our Client: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Tate:

As we discussed in our recent telephone conversation, this letter will serve to summarize the events involving Assistant Scoutmaster W. J. Jamerson and our client [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was a member of the Boy Scout Troop for which W. J. Jamerson served as Assistant Scoutmaster until recently. Apparently, on numerous occasions Mr. Jamerson sexually assaulted [REDACTED] in Jamerson's car after picking [REDACTED] up from his parents home to take [REDACTED] to Scout meetings.

It appears that Mr. Jamerson's position as a Scout leader made it much easier for him to have frequent and apparently legitimate contacts with [REDACTED] over a period of several years. The activities of Mr. Jamerson only recently came to the attention of [REDACTED] parents when blood was discovered in [REDACTED] underpants. The parents immediately reported Mr. Jamerson to the authorities.

Mr. Jamerson was charged with committing sodomy with a minor and as a result of a plea bargain, pleaded nolo contendere on the lesser charge of sexual assault.

As a result of the actions of Mr. Jamerson, [REDACTED] has suffered possibly permanent psychological damage, as have his parents. The trauma of going through the episodes with Mr. Jamerson and then having to recount those episodes for Court cannot be over-emphasized. As of January 4, 1985, [REDACTED] had received 17 psychotherapy treatments at Crossroads Services and was scheduled for at least ten more sessions (see attached letter). These sessions also necessitate school absence as did the immediate trauma of these incidents. Obviously, at this time it is impossible to estimate what permanent psychological scars may be left.

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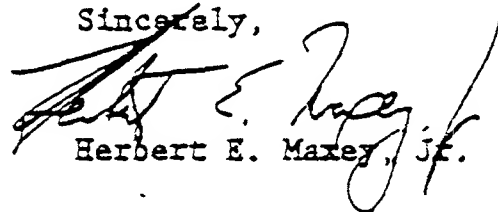
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January 13, 1985

The psychotherapy sessions have involved counselling for both [REDACTED] and his parents. [REDACTED] have had to lose time from work in order to attend the sessions with [REDACTED]; they also have experienced the horror, shock and anger any parent would feel when by such an assault on their child.

Given the impossibility of determining long-term psychological damage to either [REDACTED] or his parents, and the horror already experienced by [REDACTED] and his parents, it would appear that a settlement figure of \$35,000.00 would be most conservative. The specials in this case are of insignificance compared to the injury.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



Herbert E. Maxey, Jr.

HEMjr:tbr

Enclosures

SPECIALS - ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED

Crossroads Services

17 treatments at \$40.00/each \$680.00

10 additional treatments (minimum) 400.00

[REDACTED] - absences from work

32 3/4 hours at \$6.50 hour 212.88

[REDACTED] - absences from work

38 hours at \$5.20 hour 202.80

Estimated additional work loss 300.00

Total absences from school to date 16 days

CROSSROADS SERVICES



Central Health Services
Substance Abuse
Services

P.O. Box 293
Amelia, VA 23002
(804) 561-5057

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Charlotte Center
P.O. Box 340
Charlotte Co. House,
VA 23923
(804) 542-5187

Farmville Center
12 North Street
Farmville, VA 23901
(804) 592-3187

Buckingham Satellite
Staton Building
Farmville, VA 23921
(804) 592-4165

Lunenburg Satellite
1428 6th Street
Victoria, VA 23974
(804) 696-3747

Noroway Satellite
P.O. Box 157
Yorkville, VA 23922
(804) 592-5581

Town House Day
Support Program
10 Randolph Street
Farmville, VA 23901
(804) 592-8307

Residential Program
17 North Main Street
P.O. Box 552
Farmville, VA 23901
(804) 592-5920

January 4, 1985

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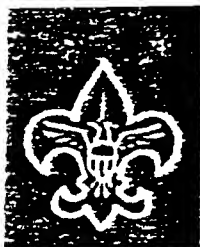
[REDACTED] and his family have been involved in psychotherapy for a combined total of 17 individual and family sessions. I expect treatment to continue for a minimum of 10 further sessions.

Jeanne M. Olson dbr

Jeanne M. Olson, MSW
Clinical Social Worker

JMO/dbr





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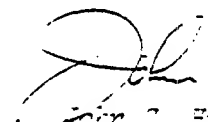
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Background Report Concerning
W. J. Jamerson, Jr. and [REDACTED]

Privileged and Confidential, Prepared at the Direction of Counsel

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Circumstances

W. J. Jamerson, Jr., currently a troop committee member, has been charged with child abuse and/or sexual battery in Price Edward and Buckingham counties in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The charges in Buckingham County were brought by the parents of former Scout [REDACTED].

Geographical/Social Setting

Buckingham County is a geographically large rural county in the central part of Virginia approximately sixty miles west of the Council headquarters city of Richmond. The county has a dominate middle class population with employment a mix of mining, lumber, agriculture, retail, and commuters to adjoining localities.

Scouting enjoys a long standing, very positive image in the community. Youth in the county are afforded a quality Scouting program, and Buckingham has been a consistent and broad based financial supporter of the council including one major giver (\$1000 annually) who has a child in the program.

Principals

- 1 - [REDACTED] is being represented by Herbert E. Maxey, Jr.
[REDACTED] Dillwyn, Virginia 23936 [REDACTED] Buckingham, Virginia 23921
[REDACTED]
- 2 - W. J. Jamerson, Jr. is being represented by J. Robert Snoddy, III
[REDACTED] Dillwyn, Virginia 23936
[REDACTED] Farmville, Virginia 23901
[REDACTED]
- 3 - E. M. Wright ----- prosecutor for the Commonwealth of Virginia
Commonwealth Attorney in Buckingham County
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] 23921
[REDACTED]

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Information Sources

- 1 - Charter field sheets for Troop 6535, Dillwyn Elementary School, PTA, Dillwyn, Virginia - used primarily to determine registration overlap of Jamerson and [REDACTED]
- 2 - Troop 6535 advancement reports filed with the Council - used primarily to verify degree of activity the [REDACTED] child had in Scouting.
- 3 - Telephone conversation and personal interview with troop scoutmaster H. Spencer Adams (also principal of Buchingham Primary School) on December 5 and December 20, 1984 respectively.
- 4 - Telephone conversations with Commonwealth Attorney E. M. Wright between December 6 and 18, 1984 in which Mr. Wright in off-the-record comments verified that Jamerson had been charged in a youth offense, that he pleaded "no contest", and that the case had been taken under advisement while both parties underwent psychological care.
- 5 The balance of the information in this report was gained from H. Spencer Adams. While much of this is hearsay in nature, but I feel it is credible. Spencer Adams is a school principal and a highly recognized community leader not only in Scouting but also in his church and in numerous civic endeavors. I feel it is important to note that he enjoys a close working relationship through his professional and civic responsibilities with the Commonwealth Attorney E. M. Wright and the attorney for W. J. Jamerson. Both of these men are strong supporters of Scouting, Wright being a member of the district committee and Snoddy, a leader in the SME efforts in the community. Herbert Maxey, attorney for [REDACTED] is Mr. Adam's [REDACTED] being married to Spencer's [REDACTED]

The point of this piece of background is that Adams had conversations with all three attorneys at varying points during the fall of 1984 concerning the Jamerson/[REDACTED] case, and I therefore consider Adams a quite reliable source.

Investigative Problems

Charges brought against W. J. Jamerson, Jr. are being handled by the juvenile and domestic relations court. He has pleaded "no contest" to at least two charges involving three youth in two counties. He asked the court to take his plea under advisement while he sought psychological help. The court agreed.

Virginia law dictates that cases before the juvenile court be treated confidentially to protect the youth involved. Therefore, it has been impossible to verify any of the apparent charges or to gather any specific facts concerning the charges against W. J. Jamerson.

I am advised (by the Commonwealth Attorney) that delays in verifying these charges could be quite lengthy and will likely require a minimum of twelve months.

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W. J. Jamerson, Jr.

Current Age: 23

Birthdate: 6/61

Current Scouting Registration: Primary - Troop committee member, T6535; 3/84-2/85.
Multiple - Unit commissioner, Weyanoke District,
Robert E. Lee Council; 6/84-5/85

Scouting Background: o August 2, 1983 - February 28, 1984 troop committee member
Troop 6535 o March 1, 1980 - February 28, 1983 Assistant Scoutmaster
o As a youth member prior to June of 1979 he earned the Eagle
Award on 12/21/78. Bronze Palm on 2/15/79 and Gold Palm
5/31/79.

After graduation from high school in June 1979, he remained in the community working a various jobs. He has been married for approximately eighteen months. During the summer of 1984 he and his wife moved to Farmville, Virginia (Prince Edward County). At this time Jamerson was employed by the state of Virginia at the Powhatan Correctional Institution where he was a guard.

Current Age: 15

Birthdate: [REDACTED]

Scouting Involvement: o Registered member of Troop 6535 from 6-1-81 to 2-28-84
o Earned Scout badge 7-13-81
o Attended summer camp in July of 1981; left early because of homesickness; earned indian lore merit badge
o Attended Council Camporee 10/81
o Earned tenderfoot badge 12/7/84
o Troop records do not show boy attendance, but dues payment records reflect a sporadic participation through October 1983.
o In July of 1982 the Scoutmaster accepted a second application to be a scout though he was registered at the time (it seems a clear reinforcement of sporadic participation by the Patton child).
o Troop financial records also reflect participation in troop fund raising efforts in the fall of 1982 and the fall of 1983.

Significant Points made by Adams

- o Jamerson's abusive relationship with [REDACTED] began when Patton was 8 years old or about 1977 - four years before [REDACTED] joined troop 6535 in June of 1981.
- o [REDACTED] and W. J. Jamerson, Jr. are [REDACTED] by marriage. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] is married to Jamerson, Jr.'s [REDACTED]
- o The two parties lived approximately three miles from each other.
- o When Jamerson, Jr. moved from Buckingham to Farmville, Virginia during the summer of 1984, the [REDACTED] family assisted him with the physical move.

Chronology of Events

1. In August of 1984, W. J. Jamerson, Jr. was charged in Prince Edward County with child abuse and sodomy in reference to the two small children (4-6 years old) of a co-worker at Powhatan Correctional Institution.

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Chronology of Events (continued)

2. In September, 1984, Jamerson approached Spencer Adams and asked him to serve as a character witness on his behalf in the court matter.
3. September - November
 - o Adams heard nothing further from Jamerson, but learned that the felony charge had been apparently reduced to a misdemeanor. After this court action came to light in the community, it was then that [REDACTED] apparently told his parents of his relationship with W. J. Jamerson, Jr. which resulted in Jamerson being charged in Buckingham County with sexual battery against the [REDACTED] child.
 - o The county social service department initiated an investigation of the case.
 - o [REDACTED] began counseling/therapy at Cross Roads Mental Health Services.
4. December 5, 1984, Spencer Adams telephoned me with the information that Jamerson had been charged and that he had been questioned by Herbert Maxey about B.S.A. liability insurance.

Additional Background

Spencer Adams, the Scoutmaster, feels the opportunity for any abuse from Jamerson would be limited to occasions of transporting [REDACTED] to or from troop meetings. The two never attended camp or camping trips together.

Jamerson performed primarily administrative duties for the troop during his adult registration period. These efforts were sporadic. He did help with one troop activity - community service project - but [REDACTED] did not participate. At no time during Jamerson's Scouting tenure did Mr. Adams observe any suspicious behavior on the part of Jamerson.

Adams describes the [REDACTED] child as quite immature. He had problems of adjusting to the public school setting, and his parents removed him and placed him in a small church - basement private school in an adjoining county.

Mr. Adams further expressed the view that the [REDACTED] originally proclaimed no ill will toward Jamerson or the B.S.A., but that after counseling sessions began, their position hardened.

Just prior to my interview with Adams, Herbert Maxey called the council office to seek assistance in identifying whom he should contact regarding a damage claim for former Scout [REDACTED]. Maxey stated that he did not believe that the Scouts were liable in this case. Rather he said he was seeking, for his client an amount of money to cover the 20% of counseling charges the family medical insurance (Blue Cross) would not cover. After discussing this phone call with our Council Attorney Francis Lowden and Dave Parks, National BSA Attorney, I called Mr. Maxey and suggested he put into writing [REDACTED]'s claim and send this to us for review. (Mr. Maxey asked, at the end of the conversation, if I would please, on his behalf, encourage Spencer Adams and his troop committee to not take the [REDACTED] action personally!)

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January 17, 1985

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RE: Our Client: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Tate:

As we discussed in our recent telephone conversation, this letter will serve to summarize the events involving Assistant Scoutmaster W. J. Jamerson and our client [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was a member of the Boy Scout Troop for which W. J. Jamerson served as Assistant Scoutmaster until recently. Apparently, on numerous occasions Mr. Jamerson sexually assaulted [REDACTED] in Jamerson's car after picking [REDACTED] up from his parents home to take [REDACTED] to Scout meetings.

It appears that Mr. Jamerson's position as a Scout leader made it much easier for him to have frequent and apparently legitimate contacts with [REDACTED] over a period of several years. The activities of Mr. Jamerson only recently came to the attention of [REDACTED] parents when blood was discovered in [REDACTED] underpants. The parents immediately reported Mr. Jamerson to the authorities.

Mr. Jamerson was charged with committing sodomy with a minor and as a result of a plea bargain, pleaded nolo contendere on the lesser charge of sexual assault.

As a result of the actions of Mr. Jamerson, [REDACTED] has suffered possibly permanent psychological damage, as have his parents. The trauma of going through the episodes with Mr. Jamerson and then having to recount those episodes for Court cannot be over-emphasized. As of January 4, 1985, [REDACTED] had received 17 psychotherapy treatments at Crossroads Services and was scheduled for at least ten more sessions (see attached letter). These sessions also necessitate school absence as did the immediate trauma of these incidents. Obviously, at this time it is impossible to estimate what permanent psychological scars may be left.

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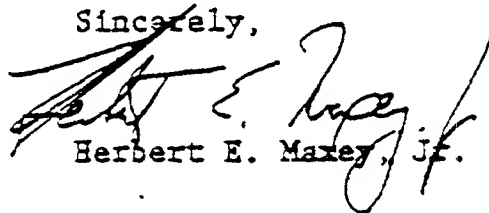
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The psychotherapy sessions have involved counselling for both [REDACTED] and his parents. [REDACTED] have had to lose time from work in order to attend the sessions with [REDACTED] they also have experienced the horror, shock and anger any parent would feel when by such an assault on their child.

Given the impossibility of determining long-term psychological damage to either [REDACTED] or his parents, and the horror already experienced by [REDACTED] and his parents, it would appear that a settlement figure of \$35,000.00 would be most conservative. The specials in this case are of insignificance compared to the injury.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



Herbert E. Maxey, Jr.

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Enclosures

SPECIALS - ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED

Crossroads Services	
17 treatments at \$40.00/each	\$680.00
10 additional treatments (minimum)	400.00
[REDACTED] - absences from work	
32 3/4 hours at \$6.50 hour	212.88
[REDACTED] - absences from work	
38 hours at \$5.20 hour	202.80
Estimated additional work loss	300.00
Total absences from school to date	16 days

CROSSROADS SERVICES



Mental Health Services
Substance Abuse
Services

P.O. Box 293
Amelia, VA 23002
(804) 561-5057

Amelia Center
P.O. Box 293
Amelia, VA 23002
(804) 561-5057

Charlotte Center
P.O. Box 340
Charlotte Co. House,
VA 23923
(804) 542-5187

Farmville Center
127 North Street
Farmville, VA 23901
(804) 392-3187

Buckingham Satellite
Staton Building
Buckingham, VA 23921
(804) 969-4165

Lunenburg Satellite
1428 6th Street
Victoria, VA 23974
(804) 696-3747

Norfolkway Satellite
P.O. Box 157
Burkeville, VA 23922
(804) 767-5581

Town House Day
Support Program
510 Randolph Street
Farmville, VA 23901
(804) 392-8307

Residential Program
107 North Main Street
P.O. Box 552
Farmville, VA 23901
(804) 392-5920

January 4, 1985

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

[REDACTED] and his family have been involved in psychotherapy for a combined total of 17 individual and family sessions. I expect treatment to continue for a minimum of 10 further sessions.

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